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Project Title: P.S.O.T. UNIT

Function Category:

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PATIENT-FOCUSED

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ORGANIZATION

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STRUCTURES

Sub-category(s): CARE OF PATIENTS

Heading: BEHAVIOR MANAGEMENT

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The following items are available regarding this Best Practice:

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Photographs

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Video Tape

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Drawings

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Manual

1. **SELECTION OF PROJECT/PROCESS AREA** (Describe how and why your team selected this project/process area for improvement.):

A female SVP was admitted to the hospital requiring sex offender treatment. Results of two hospital wide surveys indicated the need for a specialized program.

2. **UNDERSTANDING EXISTING CONDITION WHICH NEEDS IMPROVEMENT**
(Describe the relationship of your project to your goals for improvement, and describe current process performance.):

The need for specialized treatment was directed by statute, by patients who needed such treatment to be safely discharged to the community and by a state hospital/CONREP workgroups organized to address needs of patients and the community. Presented through the medical executive committee the hospital administration was informed of the need. The administration supported the project through education/training and resources and unit reorganization.

3. **ANALYSIS** (Describe how the problem was analyzed.):

Two surveys were completed to the department of psychology and the medical executive committee, and administration verified the patient need.

4. **IMPLEMENTATION** (Describe your implementation of the solution.):

We considered a day treatment program, groups throughout the hospital and a unit model. A unit treatment model was the most efficient and expedient model and offered constant monitoring of patients.

5. **RESULTS** (Demonstrate that an improvement has occurred as a result of the project/process area implementation.):

A full unit of sex offenders is receiving specialized treatment. The patients feel positive about addressing their specific issues and discharge issues. The hospital has a designated unit to refer patients to instead of addressing the issues haphazardly. CONREP has voiced appreciation for a specialized unit so they are reassured sex offender treatment has been completed by referrals.

6. **LEARNING** (Describe what the team learned and how they used those lessons to continuously improve the success of this Best Practice.):

Going through the medical staff improved our chance for success. The administration was then receptive to implementing the program, which required great coordination to transfer patients, staff and resources. Overcoming denial of the problem and showing the benefit of treating sex offenders were issues, which needed to be addressed.